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SUBJ: EXPEDITED ARMS SALES TO MOROCCO

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- 1. SUBSTANCE OF REF A WAS TRANSMITTED TO PALACE BY AMBASSADOR NEUMANN'S LETTER DATED JANUARY 31. I SIGNED LETTER TO PALACE CONVEYING SUBSTANCE OF REF B AND LETTER WAS DELIVERED TOWARDS NOON FEBRUARY 5.
- 2. BY 9:30 A.M., FEBRUARY 6, IN UNPRECEDENTED DISPLAY
 OF PROMPTNESS, I RECEIVED REPLY FROM MINISTER OF ROYAL
 PROTOCOL, GENERAL MOULAY HAFID,. HERE IS UNOFFICIAL SUMMARY
 TRANSLATION: "I AM HAPPY TO TELL YOU THAT HIS MAJESTY THE
 KING HAS TAKEN NOTE OF YOUR TWO LETTERS DATED JANUARY 31
 AND FEBRUARY 5 CONCERNING EQUIPMENT OF THE ROYAL ARMED FORCES.
 HIS MAJESTY HAS NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE USG DECISION TO
 ACCELERATE THE PROCESS OF DELIVERY OF THE ORDERED MATERIALS
 AS WELL AS USG'S SINCERE DESIRE TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM
 OF EQUIPPING FAR AND THUS REINFORCING THE FRIENDLY
 COOPERATION WHICH HAS ALWAYS CHARACTERIZED RELATIONS
 BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES."
- 3. GOM MILITARY ATTACHE WASHINGTON, LT. COL. TERHZAZ, CONFIDENTIAL

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RETURNED LAST NIGHT. HE INTENDS TAKE IN HAND IMPLE-

MENTATION IN DETAIL OF DECISION IN PRINCIPLE WHICH HE AGREES WAS REFLECTED IN FOREGOING LETTER. HE ESTIMATED WE WOULD HAVE FORMAL ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER ON TANKS (REF A) EARLY NEXT WEEK AND THAT BY EARLY THE FOLLOWING WEEK HE WILL BE ABLE TO MANAGE OBTAIN GOM SIGNATURE ON MOST OF THE OUTSTANDING LETTERS OF OFFER, INCLUDING THOSE AFFECTED BY REF B.

4. IT IS CLEAR TO ME FROM MY CONVERSATIONS WITH MOULAY HAFID EARLIER THIS WEEK AND FROM FOREGOING LETTER THAT KING CLEARLY APPRECIATES EXTRAORDINARY EFFORT REFTELS REPRESENT BY DOD AND IS DEEPLY GRATEFUL. COON

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